

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION

EO 96-05

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the size of Arkansas' State government should be strictly monitored to prevent unnecessary spending and payroll expenditures; and

WHEREAS, continuing the State's current policy on hiring will promote monitoring and review of payroll expenditures;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Huckabee, acting under the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arkansas, do hereby order:

1. Requests to fill vacant positions must be submitted to the Department of Finance and Administration to the attention of the Administrator, Office of Personnel Management, for review by the Hiring Freeze Committee.

2. This freeze does not apply to vacancies authorized by any federally-funded public employment effort.

3. The provisions of this Order shall not apply to the members of the Legislature, or to any employees of, or positions in the Legislative branch of Arkansas State government; the Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals, Judges of the Circuit, Chancery or Circuit/Chancery Courts, Judges of the Inferior Courts, or to any employee of, or position in the Judicial branch of Arkansas State government; officers, employees, and academic personnel of State institutions of higher education; elective officers of the State and any employee of the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, State Auditor, Land Commissioner, State Treasurer; and members and staff of multimember boards, commissions, or committees whether the members thereof are elected or appointed by the Governor or other authority, serve ex-officio, or are otherwise chosen; employees of the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department, and the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission; provided, however, that any agency, department, board, commission or office of State government exempted as herein above stated may voluntarily agree to be covered by the provisions of this Executive Order.

This Order shall become effective on July 16, 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed at the Capitol in Little Rock on this 16th day of July in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred ninety-six.



GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE

SECRETARY OF STATE SHARON PRIEST